to religious beliefs and old age security.

(iii) Low female literacy rate.

(iv) The Low age at a marriage of females.

(v) High prevelent infant mortality rate.

(vi) Low plan outlays on the family welfare programme on account of competing claims of various sectors on resources. The share of outlay for this programme ranges between 1-1 to 1-8 per cent of the public sector outlays.

Delay in receipt of DESU Bill by the Consumers of Aram Bagh, New Delhi

350. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DESU has not sent bills to the consumers of Block No 170, Aram Bagh, Government Colony, New Delhi last ten months or more; and

(b) what setps Government propose to take to ensure that regular bills are sent to the consumers by DESU in order to avoid difficulties being faced by the consumers in paying the bill amount in lump sum?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of the reply to part (a) above.

DPEA dues against M/s Glindia and Marind

351. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI; Will the Minister of PETROLEUM & CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) one what basis dues against Glindia and Merind under Drugs Prices Equalisation Account were assessed;

(b) what is the amount assessed in each case and for what period and "Whether such amount is in respect of bulk drugs or formulations or both;

(c) whether it is a fact that details of bulk drugs consumed and packs of medicines based on drugs in question have been collected before assessing the amount due; and

(d) if so, what was the consump tion and production of each bulk drug and each formulation pack involved from 1979-80 to 1987-88?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) *Government have not so far taken* any decision on the amounts tentatively assessed by the Special Team for deposit into the Drugs Prices; Equalisation Account by M/s. Merind. The findings of the Special Team are being looked into afresh. In respect of M/s. Glindia, a tentative amount of Rs. 37 crores has been as,-sessed for recovery from the Company.

(c) and (d) The details asked for would become available only after final assessment of the liability of the two companies to pay into the Drug Prices Equalisation Account is made.

आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजनावधि के दौरान कोयला खानों के विकास और विस्तार की योजनाएं

352. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह: क्या ऊर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजनावधि के दौरान कोयला खानों के विकास और विस्तार की योजनाओं का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ख) इस समय देश में विभिन्न हिस्सों में हो रहे कोयले के उत्पादन का ब्यौरा क्या है और आठवीं योजना के लिए क्या लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया है?